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INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE INVESTIGATION )  
ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION )  
INTO ANY AND ALL MATTERS RELATING )  
TO LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE )  
COMPETITION WITHIN THE STATE )  
OF INDIANA. )

CAUSE NO. 39983

INTERIM PROCEDURAL  
ORDER

APPROVED: JUN 05 1996

BY THE COMMISSION:

G. Richard Klein, Commissioner  
Keith L. Beall, Administrative Law Judge

On June 15, 1994, the IURC initiated this investigation in order to examine any and all issues relating to local telephone exchange competition within Indiana. A preliminary hearing and prehearing conference was held on August 19, 1994 and a prehearing conference order was subsequently issued on November 2, 1994. The prehearing conference order established an Executive Committee which was directed to address and provide recommendations to the Commission regarding the many issues involved with local competition. The Executive Committee held its first meeting on April 20, 1995. The Executive Committee was due to file its final Report on September 20, 1995. After requesting and receiving an extension from the Commission, the Executive Committee filed its final Report on January 16, 1996.

Pursuant to notice published as required by law, a public hearing commenced on February 12, 1996 at 9:30 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Room TC-10, Indiana Government Center South, Indianapolis, Indiana. The proofs of publication of the notices of such hearings were incorporated into the record of this cause by reference. The Executive Committee Report ("Report") filed on January 16, 1996 was offered and admitted into the record of this proceeding, in its entirety, as IURC Exhibit 1 over objection by Indiana Bell Telephone Company, and GTE North, Inc. Also, the parties requested that the Commission take administrative notice of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act" or "Federal Act"), which was done. Testimony was given and the parties were provided an opportunity to examine the witnesses. There was limited testimony given regarding the Act because of its recent enactment. The parties were also provided the opportunity to file briefs commenting on the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 thereafter.

One of the stated and intended purposes of this Cause was to allow the Commission the opportunity to consider the various comments and concerns of all current and prospective providers of

telecommunication services within the State of Indiana, and other interested parties. An objective presented by the parties in this Cause and adopted by the Commission was a desire to develop uniform guidelines "after the Commission has an opportunity to review the recommendations obtained in the Executive Committee's final report, rather than developing policies on an 'ad hoc' basis in individual cases involving one or more of the issues listed above." *IURC Prehearing Conference Order in Cause No. 39983, dated November 2, 1994, at page 5.* During the processing of this Cause and the gathering of such comments and concerns on local competition the Telecommunications Act of 1996 was enacted. It is clear from both a review of the Act and a review of the various parties' comments that the Commission must act within very defined, limited and progressive time frames. Accordingly, the Commission believes that the establishment of a general procedural guideline to carry out the mandates of Sections 251 and 252 of the Act would be beneficial to the Commission and the parties to allow the timely and uniform processing of such requests under such sections of the Act.

The Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 became effective on February 8, 1996. Section 251 of the Act provides standards for interconnection and various other duties for incumbent local exchange carriers ("LEC" or "ILEC") as well as new entrants to the local exchange telephone markets. Section 252 of the Act provides for methods for obtaining agreements for interconnection, services, or network elements between an incumbent LEC and new entrants. The aforementioned Sections further provide that such agreements can be arrived at through negotiation by the parties, or through mediation, or arbitration by the State Commission when requested by one of the negotiating parties.

Section 251 of the Act requires, among other things, each telecommunication carrier to interconnect with the facilities and equipment of other carriers. Additionally, this section imposes on telecommunications carriers the duty to negotiate in good faith the terms and conditions of their interconnection agreements.

Section 252 of the Act provides for negotiation, mediation, arbitration, and approval of interconnection agreements between telecommunications providers. Specifically, Section 252(a) of the Act provides that any party negotiating an agreement under Section 252 may ask the Commission to participate in the negotiations and to mediate any differences arising during the negotiations. Any interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation must be submitted to the Commission for review and approval. The Commission must act to approve or reject the negotiated agreement within 90 days after submission by the parties. If the Commission does not act, the agreement shall be deemed approved.

Section 252(b) of the Act prescribes Commission participation in compulsory arbitration proceedings upon request of a negotiating party. During the period between the 135th to the 160th day after

the date on which a the local exchange carrier receives a request for negotiation, any party to the negotiation may petition the Commission to arbitrate any open issues. In resolving by arbitration any open issues, the Act requires the Commission to: ensure that the resolution and conditions meet the requirements of Section 251; establish rates for interconnection, services, or network elements, and; provide a schedule for implementation of the terms and conditions by the parties to the agreement. The Commission is required to conclude the resolution of any unresolved issues no later than nine months after the date on which the local exchange carrier received the request to negotiate. Once the arbitration process is complete, the arbitrated interconnection agreement between the carriers must be submitted to the Commission for review and approval. The Commission must act within 30 days after the agreement is submitted. In the event of Commission inaction, the agreement is deemed approved. Given this expeditious timetable for implementing the Act it is essential that filings made by the various entities with this Commission under Sections 251 and 252 be complete and include any and all supporting documentation.

1. Commission Jurisdiction. Pursuant to I.C. 8-1-2-58, 8-1-2-69 and 8-1-2.6 et seq., the Commission has broad authority to investigate any matters relating to any public utility, and more specifically relating to telephone utilities in a competitive environment. This cause was specifically initiated under such broad authority. The Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 has affirmatively directed this Commission to process certain filings under Sections 251 and 252 of that Act under limited and abbreviated time frames. This duty to process such filings in a timely fashion constitutes a matter "relating to any public utility" within the meaning of I.C. 8-1-2-58, and also falls within the purview of the legislative declaration in 8-1-2.6-1.

The investigation in this Cause was initiated by this Commission in anticipation of federal action. While the Act itself was signed into law following the initiation of this investigation, the Commission had directed the parties to specifically consider such proposed legislation during the Executive Committee proceedings and thereafter at the initial hearings in this Cause. (Order in Cause No 39983, dated August 23, 1995, p. 5). This Commission has already named as respondents all providers of telecommunications services within the State of Indiana. The Commission caused notice of these generic proceedings to be published on several occasions since the opening of the official docket on June 14, 1994. Several entities who may not be currently certificated telephone companies within the State of Indiana participated in this Cause as well. The Commission has previously determined jurisdiction over any and all LECs as well as other telephone companies certificated by this Commission. Certain other entities voluntarily submitted to the jurisdiction of this

Commission and participated in this Cause.

The Federal Act directs the Commission to comply with the compressed time frames upon the filing by any party of a document satisfying Section 252 of the Act. The Commission has informally received notice that one such filing will be filed in the very near future and the Commission anticipates several additional filings may be made soon thereafter. By virtue of the requirements set forth in the Act, this Commission's review of such filings must begin and be accomplished within a very limited time. Unfortunately, the current procedures of the Commission do not lend themselves to the timely processing of matters filed under the Act. Fortunately, the Indiana legislature has seen fit to provide the Commission with the statutory flexibility to react to such situations. One such statute is Ind. Code Section 8-1-2-69, which reads:

Whenever, upon the investigation made under the provisions of this chapter, the commission shall find any regulations, measurements, practices, acts, or service to be unjust, unreasonable, unwholesome, unsanitary, unsafe, insufficient, preferential, unjustly discriminatory, or otherwise in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, or shall find that any service is inadequate or that any service which can be reasonably demanded can not be obtained, the commission shall determine and declare and by order fix just and reasonable measurements, regulations, acts, practices, or service to be furnished, imposed, observed, and followed in the future in lieu of those found to be unjust, unreasonable, unwholesome, unsanitary, unsafe, insufficient, preferential, unjustly discriminatory, or otherwise in violation of the provisions of this chapter, as the case may be, and shall make such other order respecting such measurement, regulation, act, practice or service as shall be just and reasonable.

In this current case the Commission finds its regulations and practices are lacking relative to the requirements set forth under the Federal Act and herein establishes these reasonable procedures and practices, unless and until otherwise modified following comments and possible hearings as provided for herein.

The Commission has already established jurisdiction over all providers of telecommunications services within the State of Indiana, the intervening parties and the subject matter herein via its broad authority under Sec 58 and other related statutes, those being IC 8-1-2-59, 69, and 8-1-2.6. Further, we have jurisdiction to proceed under applicable Indiana statutes as well as the Act to determine what would be in the public interest and establish reasonable guidelines or practices as to how matters will be processed pursuant to the requirements of the Federal Act.

2. Commission Discussion and Findings. The Federal Act directs that upon the filing of a request for approval of an agreement pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Act, the Commission shall have a predetermined time frame as specified in Section 252 of the Act in which to approve or reject the agreement. The Act itself is unclear on several matters, the most pertinent of which is the date the negotiating parties actually make a request or when an agreement is reached and thus triggering when this Commission's actions must begin. The Act contemplates agreements being arrived at through several different mechanisms: agreement of the parties, or mediation and/or arbitration by the State Commission. We are directed to review arbitrated agreements within 30 days. In cases of mediated agreements and/or agreements of the parties we must conclude our review within 90 days.

In order to carry out the mandates of Sections 251 and 252 of the Act, the Commission heretofore directed its staff to draft a set of proposed procedural guidelines for reviewing negotiated agreements, mediated agreements, conducting arbitrations, and reviews of filings made by rural telephone companies for an exemption, suspension and/or modification of certain requirements contained in Section 251 of the Act. Those guidelines are attached hereto as Attachments A and B. Because the Act is silent as to what should take place during the Commission's review of such filings, these attached guidelines are designed to provide additional clarification of what should be filed and how the Commission will go about considering and timely processing the filings. We believe it was the intent of Congress under the Act to allow the individual states to establish their own guidelines and procedures for the processing of the Section 251 and 252 filings. Therefore, being informally aware of at least one agreement to be immediately filed pursuant to the Act, as well as the expectation of other potential agreements or requests being filed in the very near future, it is critical that respondents and other interested entities have an understanding of the Commission's expectations regarding filings under Sections 251 and 252 to allow the Commission the ability to fulfill its obligations during the limited time frames under the Act to review such filings. The Commission has a limited amount of time and resources to either approve or deny the filings as set forth in the Act. Additionally, to protect the due process rights of any other interested parties, the Commission's attached guidelines provide notice and opportunities for anyone to be heard during the Commission's review process.

The Commission finds that all respondents and/or entities who desire to file under the Federal Act should review the guidelines in Attachments A and B. Any Sec. 251 and 252 filings should conform to the directives of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and be consistent with the guidelines in Attachment A in effect at the time of filing. The filings should also be made consistent with the requirements regarding docket number

identification as shown on Attachment B. The Commission will thereafter follow the review process outlined in the guidelines, as they may from time to time be amended consistent with further Commission action.

This Order is entered by the authority conferred upon the Commission under I.C. 8-1-2-58, 8-1-2-69, 8-1-2.6, et seq., and related statutes, as well as the authority conferred under the Federal Act. We find that the directives of this Order should remain in effect as interim directives until further order of the Commission or unless made permanent by waiver of notice and hearing as described hereunder. Any entity that desires to object to or provide amendments to any term or directive of this Order and seek an opportunity for hearing thereon should do so in writing within 30 days from the date of this Order, setting forth the basis for each such objection or proposed modification. Any entity failing to make its written objection or request for alteration of any term or directive of this Order and/or written request for a hearing thereon within the time frame provided herein shall be deemed to have waived its right to notice and hearing and further be deemed to have acquiesced in and agreed to all terms and directives of this Order; such terms and directives will then be made permanent against any named respondent or other entity, pending further Order of the Commission. The terms and directives of this Order will remain in effect, on a temporary basis, pending further Order of the Commission, for any respondent or entity that has timely filed its objection and request for hearing.

### 3. Generally Applicable Guidelines

The guidelines contained immediately below are generally applicable to all telephone companies, or any other entities, that may make filings pursuant to the negotiation, mediation, arbitration or small telephone company exemption, suspension or modification sections of the Federal Act:

- (a) At least ten (10) days prior to the filing date of the agreement, request for mediation, petition for arbitration or petition for exemption, suspension and/or modification under the Act, a "letter of intent to file" should be delivered to the Commission's Engineering Division Assistant Chief and the Office of the Utility Consumer Counselor. The letter should contain a brief description of the filing and anticipated filing date.
- (b) The provisions of these guidelines that require the filing of supporting documentation, cost studies or testimony shall be strictly applied. Failure to file supporting documentation, cost study(ies) or testimony as required by these guidelines (or other applicable Commission guidelines, Orders, or regulations) may result

in denial of the relief sought by the party failing to comply, or in a delay of the official timing of the receipt of that party's filing hereunder. The hearing time and number of witnesses that may be called will be strictly scrutinized and limited due to the abbreviated time frame the Commission has to process these requests under the Act.

- (c) Nothing in these guidelines precludes consolidation of proceedings in order to reduce administrative burdens on telecommunications carriers, other parties to the proceedings, and the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities under the Act.
- (d) If the Commission rejects an agreement resulting from negotiation or mediation, or an agreement arrived at by the arbitration process, the parties may file within 20 days an application for rehearing for the Commission's consideration consistent with the Commission's rules. Alternatively, the parties may resubmit the agreement for Commission approval within 20 days following rejection if the parties have remedied the deficiencies found by the Commission in its order.
- (e) The Commission may modify the procedures contained in the attached guidelines at any time, as it deems necessary in order to comply with the compressed time frames contained in the Act.
- (f) Section 251(c)(1) of the Act requires the parties to negotiate in good faith the terms and conditions of their interconnection agreements. For this process to be successful, it is incumbent upon the parties to exchange relevant information to review the reasonableness of the proposed rates. The Commission places parties on notice that it expects full cooperation from both sides in providing such information, with limited proprietary protections where absolutely necessary. Each side is responsible for informing the Commission if this provision is not being complied with.

The Commission finds that these above generally applicable guidelines as well as the attached guidelines are necessary for the orderly processing of filings under the Act and the efficient allocation of Commission resources. Any entity which desires to object to or provide amendments to any of these generally applicable guidelines should do so within the time frames set forth in Finding 2 above of this Order.

#### 4. Service List for Cause No. 39983

The guidelines for negotiation, mediation and arbitration attached hereto contain a requirement that the negotiating parties serve copies of certain of their filing(s) on all entities listed on the local competition docket service list (Cause No. 39983). This service list may be updated from time to time and any entity filing under the guidelines herein provided should obtain the most current list from the Secretary of the Commission. The service list in this Cause should be used by all filing parties to notify those interested entities that a filing has been made under the Act. This section of the Order specifically does not relieve any entity from any obligation for due diligence in keeping itself informed of filings before this Commission. Publicly available information regarding Sec. 251 and 252 filings may be obtained from the Secretary of the Commission

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, that:**

1. It is hereby determined that the currently existing regulations, practices and procedures of this Commission are insufficient to accomplish the directives of and securing compliance with the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 within the meaning of I.C. 8-1-2-69 and other related statutes.

2. All telephone companies who have been named as respondents by the Commission in this proceeding are hereby on notice that the Commission intends to follow the guidelines presented in Attachments A and B hereto, consistent with Finding Nos. 2, 3 and 4 above.

3. All respondents or any entity wishing to file with this Commission an agreement or a request for exemption, suspension or modification under Section 251 and/or 252 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 shall do so in accordance with the Act as well as the guidelines contained herein or attached hereto as Attachments A and B, or as may be in effect at that time. Such filings shall be considered by the Commission and be approved or rejected consistent with the requirements of the Act and applicable guidelines.

4. The interim directives and guidelines presented in this Order shall remain in effect until further order of the Commission or unless made permanent as against any particular respondent or entity by that respondent's or entities' waiver of notice and hearing, consistent with Finding No. 2 above. Any respondent or entity desiring to object or seek amendment to any term or directive of this Order and seek an opportunity for hearing thereon shall do so within 30 days from the date of this Order. Any respondent or entity failing to make its objection and/or request a hearing on any term or directive of this Order within the time



frame provided shall be deemed to have waived its right to notice and hearing and shall be further deemed to have acquiesced to all terms and directives of this Order, and such terms and directives shall then be made permanent as they pertain to that individual respondent or entity.

5. The Commission shall cause notice of the issuance of such interim guidelines to be made to allow any interested entities not named as respondents in this Cause to exercise the rights provided in Finding Nos. 2, 3 and 4 above. Also, the Commission shall deliver this Order and its Attachments to all counsel of record in this Cause and to all originally named respondent providers of telecommunications services within the State of Indiana.

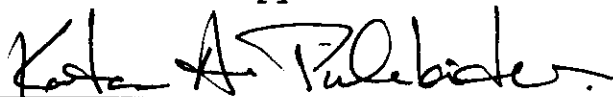
6. This Order shall be effective on and after the date of its approval.

**MORTELL, HUFFMAN, KLEIN AND ZIEGNER CONCUR:**

APPROVED:

JUN 05 1996

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Order as approved.



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Kostas A. Poulakidas,  
Secretary to the Commission

Section 252(a)(1)& (e)(1) - No IURC involvement until agreement submitted for review phase:

(a) Negotiations with Agreement Filing

The negotiating parties may file their agreement at **any time** during the course of the negotiations; the IURC will issue written findings either approving or rejecting the agreement within 90 days of its filing.

- (1) Day 1 of review phase: parties file the agreement with supporting documentation and cost studies (cost studies are preliminarily treated as confidential unless written objections are received) under an entity's specifically assigned docket number;<sup>1</sup>
  - (A) Negotiating parties serve copies of the agreement on all entities listed on the local competition docket service list (Cause No. 39983);
  - (B) The IURC issues public notice for a public hearing and/or technical conference to be held 30 days from Day 1 (non-negotiating entities should file their written opposition to the agreement within 20 days following Day 1 of review phase.);
- (2) Day 30 of review phase: Public Hearing and/or Technical Conference held;
- (3) On or before Day 90 of review phase: IURC issues order either approving or rejecting agreement. (Grounds for rejection include discrimination against a non-negotiating party or determination that the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.);
- (4) Within 10 days of approval: IURC makes agreement available for public inspection.

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<sup>1</sup> The ILEC or other entity, upon its initial filing, will receive an assigned docket number which will continue as its number for any and all filings under Sections 251 and 252 of the Act and consistent with the requirements in Attachment B.

Section 252(a)(2) & (e)(1)

(b) Negotiations with Mediation & Agreement Filing

The negotiating parties may request IURC participation and mediation. When the final agreement is filed, the IURC has 90 days in which to approve or reject.

- (1) Day 1 following formal request for mediation: A docket number is assigned using the assigned docket numbers;
- (2) Day 10 of mediation phase: IURC schedules Attorneys Conference for Day 25 of mediation phase;
- (3) Day 25 of mediation phase: Attorneys Conference held to begin mediation process -  
  
- qualified mediator and staff member assigned (parties may waive-ex parte for the staff member - if ex-parte not waived, staff would not be assigned);
- (4) Day 1 of review phase - following filing of mediated agreement: parties file the agreement with supporting documentation and cost studies (cost studies are preliminarily treated as confidential unless written objections are received);
  - (A) Negotiating parties serve copies of the agreement on all entities listed on the local competition docket service list (Cause No. 39983);
  - (B) The IURC issues public notice for a public hearing and/or technical conference to be held 30 days from Day 1 of review phase (non-negotiating entities should file their written opposition to the agreement within 20 days following Day 1 of review phase.);
- (5) Day 30 of review phase: Public Hearing and/or Technical Conference held;
- (6) On or before Day 90 of review phase: IURC issues order either approving or rejecting agreement. (Grounds for rejection include discrimination against a non-negotiating party or determination that the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.);
- (7) Within 10 days of approval: IURC makes agreement available for public inspection.

Section 252(b) & (b)(2)(A) & (b)(3)

(c) Arbitration

Any party to the negotiations may 'petition' the IURC for arbitration (anytime between day 135 and 160). The arbitration petition must identify those issues agreed upon, unresolved issues, and positions of parties on unresolved issues. The non-petitioning party has 25 days in which to respond to the arbitration petition. When the arbitration petition is filed, the IURC, as arbitrator, has 9 months (from the day the formal request for interconnection is received by the ILEC) in which to resolve the disputed issues. The IURC has 30 days from the date the final agreement is filed in which to approve or reject. The IURC may request additional information from the parties after the petition is filed. If information is not received, the IURC may proceed on the basis of the best information available from any source.

- (1) Day 1 of arbitration phase: The IURC assigns the arbitration petition an applicable ILEC docket number, an arbitration facilitator, and a Commission staff member who has not been involved in any requested mediation;
- (2) Day 15 of arbitration phase: the arbitration facilitator will formally notify the parties of all scheduled dates and times;
- (3) 45 Days prior to the end of the total interconnection negotiation period (9 months): Arbitration facilitator files report with IURC (if arbitration petition filed on day 160, this would be day 225);
- (4) On or before end of 9 month negotiation period: IURC issues arbitration order resolving issues;
- (5) Day 1 of review phase: Parties submit their final agreement serving copies of the ratified arbitrated agreement on all entities listed on the local competition docket service list (Cause No. 39983);
  - (A) Non-negotiating entities should file their written comments about the agreement within 15 days of Day 1 of the review phase;
  - (B) IURC will issue findings approving or rejecting the agreement within 30 days of the filing of the ratified arbitrated agreement (Grounds for rejection - ratified arbitrated agreement does not meet section 251 or section 252(d) conditions);
- (6) Within 10 days of approval: IURC must make agreement available for public inspection.

Section 251(f)(1) & (f)(2)

(d) Small Telco Exemption, Suspension and Modification

Under the Act, all Indiana telcos other than Ameritech and GTE are automatically exempt from the specific provision of Section 251(c), wherein there is an obligation to negotiate interconnection. This automatic exemption may change in two ways:

(1) The small telco receives a 'bona fide' request for interconnection from a competitor (the IURC must be notified); the IURC has 120 days in which to terminate the exemption and establish an implementation schedule (that is consistent with FCC regulations) or to approve continuation of the exemption.

- (A) Day 1: Small telco receives a bona fide request for interconnection and 'notice' is filed with IURC (notice should include all information about the bona fide request) - docket number assigned;
  - (B) Day 10: An Attorneys Conference is scheduled for Day 25:
  - (C) Day 25: An Attorneys Conference is held at which time the dates for petitioner prefile, responses, rebuttal and public hearing are established (Discovery and written/oral testimony may be limited because of compressed time frame);
    - (i) Technical conferences requested by the parties or non-negotiating entities;
  - (D) Day 60: Public Hearing held;
  - (E) Day 120: Order issued.
- (2) The small telco files a petition with the IURC requesting suspension and modification of Sec. 251(b) the obligations of all local exchange carriers and/or its obligations under Sec. 251(c) including the duty to negotiate interconnection; the IURC has 180 days in which to grant or deny the request.
- (A) Day 1: small telco files petition - docket number assigned;
  - (B) Day 10: An Attorneys Conference is scheduled for Day 25:
  - (C) Day 25: An Attorneys Conference is held at which time the dates for petitioner prefile, responses, rebuttal and public hearing are established (Discovery and written/oral testimony may be limited because of compressed time frame);
    - (i) Technical conferences requested the parties or non-negotiating entities;
  - (D) On or before Day 100: Public Hearing held;
  - (E) On or before Day 180: Order issued.

Docket Number Assignment:

An ILEC or other entity, upon its initial filing with the Commission under Sections 251 and 252 of the Act, will have a docket number assigned to the filing. This docket number, with appropriate cause number extenders (see explanation below), will continue to be used by that ILEC or other entity for any subsequent filings made under Sections 251 and 252 of the Federal telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act") by it.

Extenders:

This is a three letter designation followed by a numeric digit added to the base cause number which will identify the type of filing being made and the sequence of the particular filing.

A. INITIAL FILING

Generally, two different extenders will be added to the docket number assigned to filings made under Sections 251 and 252 of the Act.

INT-01 : to be used with the filing of, or any filing related to, an interconnection agreement.

OR

ETC-01 : to be used with the filing by, or any filing related to, a rural telephone company.

(New extenders may be developed, if necessary for the administrative tracking of future filings, while maintaining the root cause number.)

B. SUBSEQUENT FILINGS

Subsequent filings made by an ILEC or other entity under Sections 251 and 252 of the Act should use the same docket number and type of alphabetical filing extender as the initial filing, plus, the numerical extender should be incremented by one number, e.g., Docket number + type of filing + cumulative number of filings under the docket.

Current Docket Number Assignment (examples):

The following entities have previously filed petitions under the Act and should continue to use the assigned docket numbers, with the appropriate extenders, which are:

Smithville Telephone Company - Cause No. 40420-ETC-01

Northwestern Indiana Telephone Company - Cause No. 40443-ETC-01

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